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12 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
13 CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
14 WESTERN DIVISION

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16 DISNEY ENTERPRISES, INC.,

17 Plaintiff,

18 vs.

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20 RED EARTH GROUP LIMITED, d/b/a
21 SATÉUR,

22 Defendant.
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Case No. 2:25-cv-06469

**COMPLAINT FOR TRADEMARK
INFRINGEMENT AND FALSE
DESIGNATION OF ORIGIN**

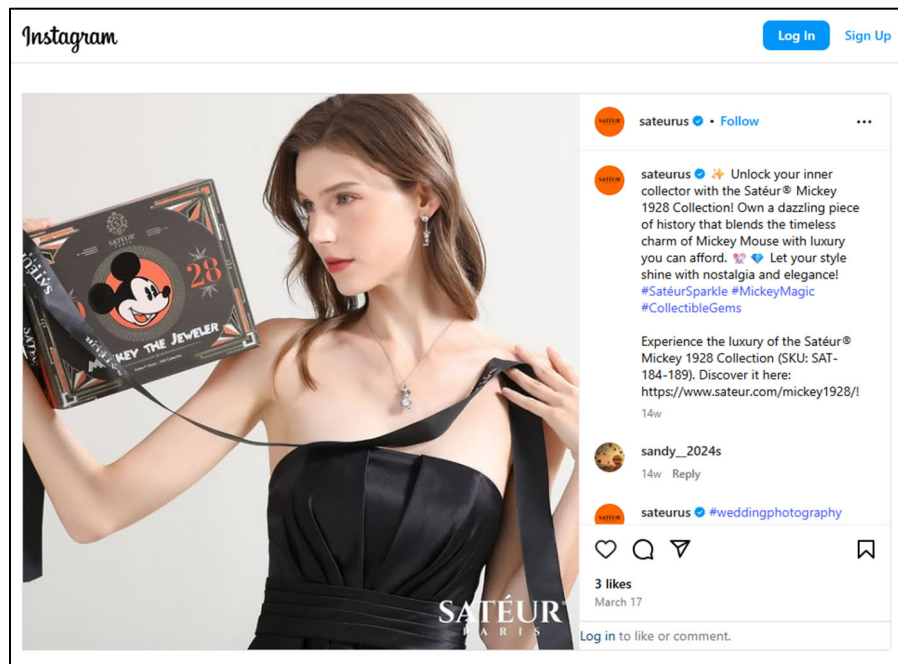
DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

1 Plaintiff Disney Enterprises, Inc. (“Disney”) alleges on knowledge as to its
2 own acts, and otherwise on information and belief, as follows:

3 INTRODUCTION

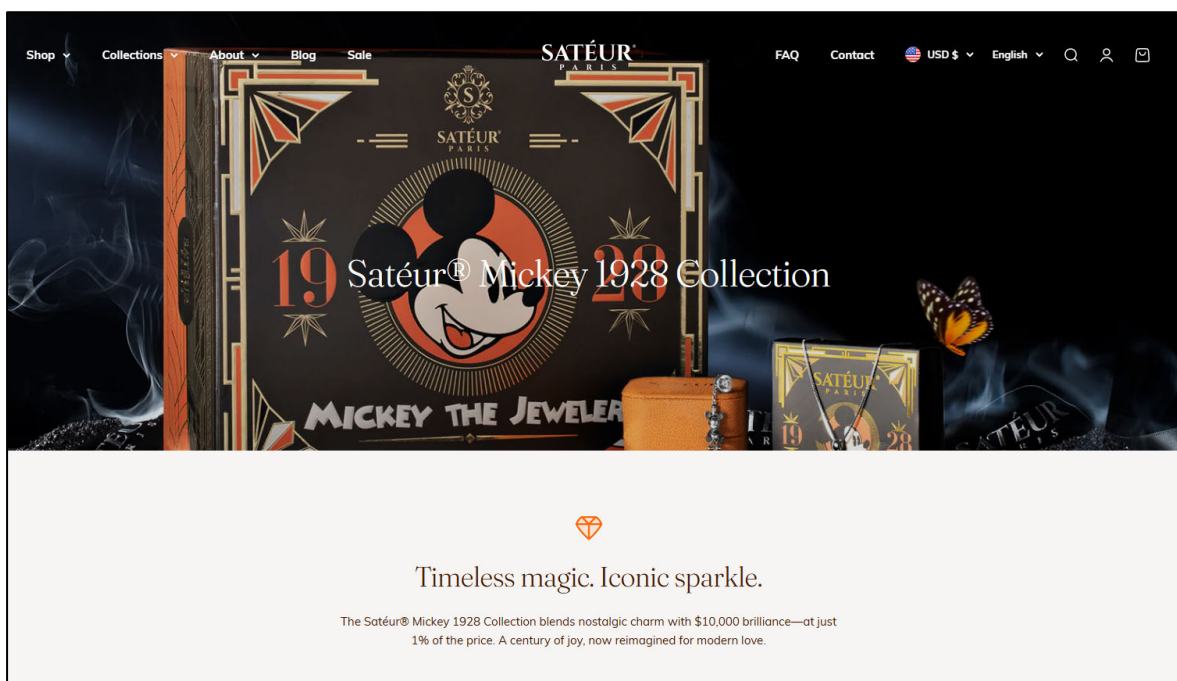
4 1. Disney’s MICKEY and MICKEY MOUSE word and device marks
5 (collectively, “Mickey Mouse Trademarks”) are among the most famous and
6 instantly recognizable trademarks in the world. For decades, Disney (including
7 through its affiliates) has used the Mickey Mouse Trademarks to identify Disney’s
8 family-focused brand and the singular magic consumers associate with Disney’s
9 goods and services. Disney’s Mickey Mouse Trademarks provide consumers with
10 assurance that the associated goods meet Disney’s quality standards, and have
11 Disney’s approval and endorsement.

12 2. Defendant Red Earth Group Limited (“Red Earth Group”) is unlawfully
13 trading on that consumer goodwill and misleading consumers for its own
14 commercial gain.



27 3. Red Earth Group is not and never has been authorized to use Disney’s
28 Mickey Mouse Trademarks in any way. Nevertheless, Red Earth Group has chosen

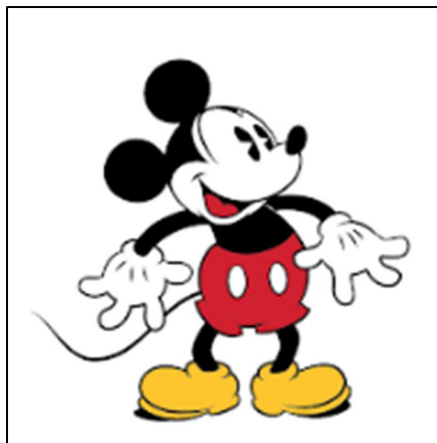
1 to appropriate Disney's Mickey Mouse Trademarks to market cheap, imitation-
 2 diamond jewelry through an online storefront that Red Earth Group operates under
 3 the name "Sat ur Paris." The Sat ur website sells more than a half-dozen pieces of
 4 Mickey Mouse-themed jewelry (collectively, "Infringing Sat ur Mickey Jewelry").
 5 Red Earth Group's marketing and packaging is replete with substantial,
 6 unauthorized use of infringing versions of Disney's Mickey Mouse Trademarks:



4. This poses a significant problem, not just for Disney but also for its
 licensees and consumers in the market. Disney maintains a substantial licensing

1 program through which it authorizes other parties to use the Mickey Mouse
 2 Trademarks in connection with a wide variety of goods and services. Disney
 3 maintains quality controls over its licensees' merchandise and the association of that
 4 merchandise with Disney. And consumers rely on the Mickey Mouse Trademarks
 5 to signal Disney's approval or endorsement, and therefore the quality, of associated
 6 goods.

7 5. Indeed, Red Earth Group admits that "Mickey Mouse" is "synonymous
 8 with the name Disney."¹ Its infringement of the Mickey Mouse Trademarks creates
 9 an obvious likelihood of consumer confusion. Compare, for example, one of
 10 Disney's Mickey Mouse device marks with Red Earth Group's product packaging:



19 *Disney's Mickey Mouse device mark*
 20 Reg. App. No. 97668570 (Class 14)



21 *"Satéur® Mickey 1928 Classique Ring™" product*
 22 *packaging*

23 6. Red Earth Group's Infringing Satéur Mickey Jewelry attempts to cash
 24 in on the popularity of Disney's Mickey Mouse brand and to mislead consumers
 25 into believing that Red Earth Group is an authorized seller of authentic Disney

26 ¹ See Satéur, *Celebrating a Century of Magic: The Satéur® Mickey 1928 Collection*
 27 (Jan. 22, 2024), <https://www.sateur.com/blog-mickey-1928-collection/>
 28 [<https://perma.cc/3PL2-LDZP>] ("Mickey Mouse wasn't just a character; he was a
 revolution. His appearance in 'Steamboat Willie' in 1928 wasn't just the birth of a
 character but the birth of a vast universe of storytelling that would eventually
 become synonymous with the name Disney.").

1 merchandise. Disney brings this action to protect its rights in the Mickey Mouse
2 Trademarks, the interests of Disney's legitimate licensees, and the consumers who
3 rely on the Mickey Mouse Trademarks to indicate the legitimacy and quality of
4 associated goods.

5 **JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

6 7. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C.
7 §§ 1331 and 1338, because Disney's claims arise under the Lanham Act, as
8 amended, 15 U.S.C. §§ 1051 *et seq.*

9 8. This Court has personal jurisdiction over Red Earth Group pursuant to
10 Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 4(k)(1) and California Code of Civil Procedure
11 § 410.10. Red Earth Group has purposefully directed its actions toward the State of
12 California and this District. Red Earth Group is intentionally marketing and selling
13 products in a manner that infringes Disney's trademarks. And Red Earth Group is
14 expressly aiming its actions at California, including by: (a) marketing its products
15 to consumers in California, including through promotional blog posts directed to
16 such consumers²; (b) offering free delivery to residents of California and Los
17 Angeles County; contracting with a third-party distributor based in and/or operating
18 out of this District to distribute some or all of the infringing goods to purchasers in
19 this State and in this District; and (c) selling at least two infringing items through the
20 Satéur website to an agent of Disney located in this District in the regular course of
21 business. Red Earth Group is aware that its infringement of Disney's Mickey
22 Mouse Trademarks harms Disney in the State of California and in this District,
23 where Disney maintains its principal place of business.

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25 ² See, e.g., Satéur, *Discover the Best Engagement Rings in Los Angeles* (Jan. 27,
26 2023), <https://www.sateur.com/discover-the-best-engagement-rings-in-los-angeles/>
27 [<https://perma.cc/V6S6-7CSP>] (purporting to provide "a list of some of the top
28 places or locations to buy engagement rings in Los Angeles," including several
brick-and-mortar stores that are presented as Satéur's peers).

1 9. Alternatively, if this Court does not have jurisdiction over Red Earth
 2 Group pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 4(k)(1), then the Court has
 3 jurisdiction over Red Earth Group pursuant to Rule 4(k)(2). If jurisdiction over Red
 4 Earth Group were lacking under Rule 4(k)(1), then Red Earth Group would not be
 5 subject to jurisdiction in any state's courts of general jurisdiction. Red Earth Group
 6 has purposefully directed and promoted its infringing activities to the United States
 7 as a whole, including by: (a) engaging in marketing and sales efforts that target
 8 consumers in the United States, including blog posts directed at U.S. consumers,³
 9 free delivery to the United States, advertising and sales deals invoking uniquely
 10 American holidays, advertising featured in U.S. publications that are promoted by
 11 and to U.S. citizens (such as Vogue, Cosmopolitan, and Esquire), and claims that its
 12 jewelry is "loved by celebrities," including American sports journalist Olivia Harlan
 13 Dekker; (b) offering its products directly for sale to customers within the United
 14 States through the Satéur website; (c) arranging with a California third-party
 15 distributor to ship some or all of its products to consumers in the United States; and
 16 (d) filing (but later withdrawing) a U.S. trademark application for the SATÉUR
 17 mark.

18 10. Venue is proper in this District pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b)
 19 because a substantial part of the events giving rise to Disney's claims occurred in
 20 this District.

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 25 ³ See, e.g., Satéur, *Best Engagement Rings in United States: The Ultimate Guide*
 26 (Jan. 17, 2023), <https://www.sateur.com/best-engagement-rings-in-united-states-the-ultimate-guide/> [<https://perma.cc/TC2L-QKYV>]; Satéur, *Get the Perfect Fit: A Comprehensive Guide to Engagement Ring Sizes* (Jan. 4, 2023),
 27 [https://www.sateur.com/get-the-perfect-fit-a-comprehensive-guide-to-engagement-](https://www.sateur.com/get-the-perfect-fit-a-comprehensive-guide-to-engagement-ring-sizes/)
 28 [ring-sizes/](https://www.sateur.com/get-the-perfect-fit-a-comprehensive-guide-to-engagement-ring-sizes/) [<https://perma.cc/4SXX-V55S>].

1 **THE PARTIES**

2 **Plaintiff**

3 11. Plaintiff Disney Enterprises, Inc. is a corporation duly organized and
4 existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, with its principal place of business
5 in Burbank, California.

6 **Defendant**

7 12. Defendant Red Earth Group Limited is a corporation organized and
8 existing under the laws of Hong Kong with its principal place of business in
9 Hong Kong. Red Earth Group maintains an “office” in the United States.

10 13. Red Earth Group owns and operates Satéur.com, an online retail sales
11 website that markets, sells, and distributes low-priced jewelry with lab-grown
12 diamonds, moissanite, and synthetic gemstones. Red Earth Group oversees the
13 design, manufacturing, marketing, and distribution of all products sold on the Satéur
14 website, including products that infringe Disney’s Mickey Mouse Trademarks.

15 14. Satéur is not a standalone company, but rather a trademark of Red
16 Earth Group. The Satéur website falsely claims that SATÉUR is a registered mark
17 in the United States. Although Red Earth Group applied to register the SATÉUR
18 mark in the United States, Red Earth Group later abandoned that application.

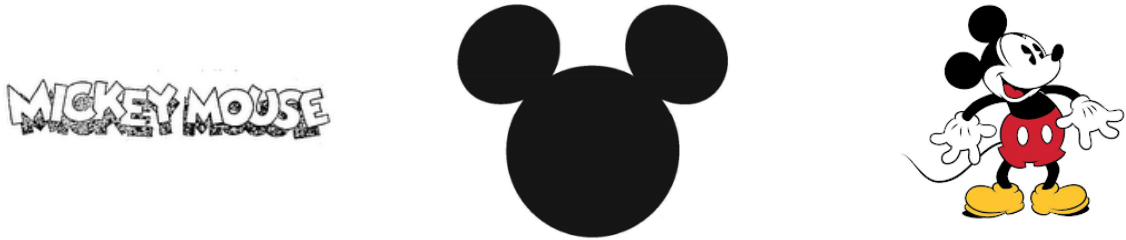
19 **BACKGROUND FACTS**

20 **Disney’s Trademark Rights**

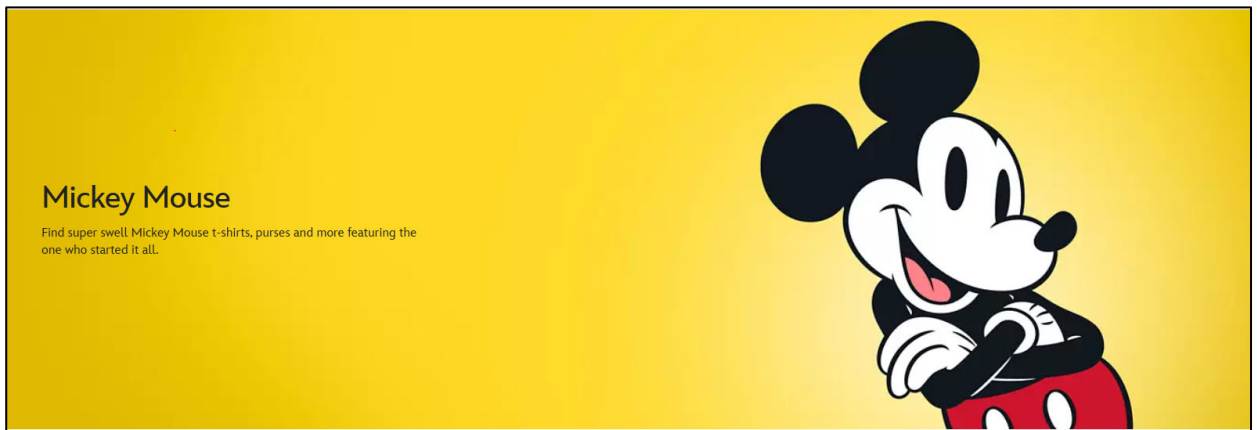
21 15. Disney owns the Mickey Mouse Trademarks, which include common
22 law rights, trade names, registrations, and/or registration applications that
23 incorporate and/or refer to Mickey Mouse and distinctive elements associated with
24 Mickey Mouse.

25 16. Disney owns numerous federal registrations covering the Mickey
26 Mouse Trademarks, including the registrations listed in **Exhibit A**. For example,
27 Disney has registered both the MICKEY MOUSE word mark and the iconic three-
28 circle mouse ear device mark for use in connection with jewelry and watches under

1 U.S. Registered Trademark Nos. 3007745 and 5670367. Disney's U.S. Trademark
 2 Application No. 97668570 depicts Mickey Mouse's full body in color and covers
 3 the class of goods that includes jewelry, jewelry boxes, and jewelry cases.



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 8 17. Disney also owns common law trademark and trade dress rights in the
 9 Mickey Mouse Trademarks. For example, Disney and its affiliates often use the
 10 Mickey Mouse Trademarks as marks in connection with online point of sale
 11 displays, hangtags, and packaging to identify Disney as the source of the goods.
 12 Disney and its affiliates have consistently used each of the following Mickey Mouse
 13 Trademarks in commerce throughout the United States since at least 2023.



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 21 *Disney's Disney Store online point-of-sale display*



Disney's product tag



Disney's product hangtag

18. As a result of widespread advertising and sales by Disney, its affiliates, and their respective licensees, together with longstanding consumer recognition of Mickey Mouse as synonymous with the Disney group of companies, the Mickey Mouse Trademarks are widely recognized as source identifiers for products and services authorized by Disney. Each of the Mickey Mouse Trademarks is inherently distinctive and/or has acquired secondary meaning in the minds of consumers.

19. Disney holds the exclusive right to develop, manufacture, market, license, and sell products featuring the Mickey Mouse Trademarks. Disney exercises those rights in numerous ways, including by licensing the Mickey Mouse Trademarks for use in connection with jewelry products and related merchandise for sale through online retailers:



Disney's Mickey Mouse 18K Gold-Plated White Topaz Ring (The Bradford Exchange)



Mickey Mouse Profile Earrings by CRISLU (Disney Store)



Disney Diamond Mickey Mouse 18" Pendant Necklace (Macy's)



Disney's Mickey Mouse Black & White Diamond Heart Necklace (Kay Jewelers)

20. Authorized merchandising and licensing of the Mickey Mouse Trademarks is subject to Disney's control over the quality of the licensed goods.

21. Disney sells (or licenses for sale) products bearing the Mickey Mouse Trademarks in all 50 states, including California.

Red Earth Group’s Business Model

22. The Sat  ur website purports to sell “smart luxury” jewelry at “1% of the price” of real diamond jewelry.⁴ For most pieces, a consumer may choose between a lab-grown “Sat  ur Moissanite” stone or a “Sat  ur Gems  ” stone, which Red Earth Group describes as a “trademarked diamond simulant” “developed by Sat  ur.”⁵ The Sat  ur website provides no further information about how Red Earth Group “developed” its faux diamond, nor what goes into its purportedly “exclusive formula.”⁶

23. Although the Sat  ur website lists several “global offices” (including one in the United States), it has no retail showrooms.⁷ Rather, Red Earth Group appears to offer its products for sale only through the Sat  ur website.⁸

Red Earth Group’s Infringing Sat  ur Mickey Jewelry

24. Most of the Mickey Mouse-themed jewelry sold on the Sat  ur website is audaciously marketed as part of Red Earth Group’s “Sat  ur   Mickey 1928 Collection” (the “Mickey 1928 Collection”). Red Earth Group describes its Mickey 1928 Collection as a limited-edition collection that was launched to “honor” Disney’s 1928 animated short film *Steamboat Willie*, and the expiration of the U.S.

⁴ See Sat  ur, *About Sat  ur*, <https://sateur.com/pages/about-sateur> [<https://perma.cc/G9Y3-QADY>] (last visited July 14, 2025).

⁵ See, e.g., Sat  ur, *Sat  ur Destin  e Ring*TM, <https://sateur.com/products/ring?variant=51014303023443> [<https://perma.cc/9SDC-XNCS>] (last visited July 14, 2025).

⁶ See *id.*

⁷ See Sat  ur, *Contact Us*, <https://sateur.com/pages/contact-us> [<https://perma.cc/8YGX-F7CG>] (last visited July 14, 2025).

⁸ Until recently, the Sat  ur website also featured fake images of non-existent showrooms, and claimed that the company was started by “Felix Francois,” who was “[b]orn into a family that has specialized in fossils and gemstones since 1989.” In reality, “Felix Francois” appears to be a French-inspired pseudonym for Red Earth Group’s founder, Felix Kar Yue Wong.

1 copyright in the film, and as a “a celebration of nearly a century of joy, innovation,
2 and magic that Mickey Mouse represents.”⁹ Most items in the Mickey 1928
3 Collection are on “sale” for somewhere between \$135 and \$300, depending on the
4 type of synthetic stone selected for the item.

5 25. The centerpiece of the Mickey 1928 Collection is a ring marketed as
6 the “Satéur® Mickey 1928 Classique Ring™.” This ring features a three-
7 dimensional Steamboat Willie charm, wherein the character is depicted in a seated
8 position on the band, holding a synthetic stone.



Classique Ring top view



Classique Ring side view

18 26. Red Earth Group appears to use the same product packaging for all
19 items within the Mickey 1928 Collection. That packaging makes substantial use of
20 Disney’s Mickey Mouse Trademarks. Both the outer and inner jewelry boxes are
21 decorated with an image of Mickey Mouse’s face. Each box is stamped with the
22 phrases “Satéur® Mickey 1928 Collection” and MICKEY THE JEWELER, the
23 latter of which appears in the same font that Disney has long used in connection
24 with Mickey Mouse-branded products. And each item comes with a “certificate of
25 authenticity,” which is decorated with a full-body image of Mickey Mouse, the
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27 ⁹ Satéur, *Celebrating a Century of Magic: The Satéur® Mickey 1928 Collection*
28 (Jan. 22, 2024), <https://www.sateur.com/blog-mickey-1928-collection/>
[<https://perma.cc/3PL2-LDZP>].

phrases “Satéur® Mickey 1928 Collection” and MICKEY THE JEWELER, and a holographic seal bearing Mickey Mouse’s face. According to Red Earth Group, these product packaging materials are “[i]nspired by the whimsy and wonder of Mickey’s world.”¹⁰



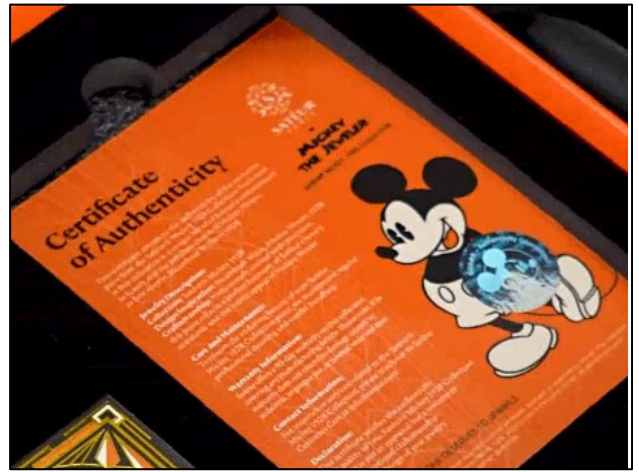
Outer packaging



Inner packaging



Inner box detail



Certificate of authenticity detail

27. In addition to the Mickey 1928 Collection, Red Earth Group also markets an offshoot “Satéur® 1928 Mickey Voyager Necklace” (the “Mickey Voyager Necklace”): a pendant necklace featuring an artificial gemstone and a

¹⁰ Satéur, *Behind the Scenes: Crafting the World’s Most Iconic Mickey Engagement Ring* (Jan. 24, 2024), <https://www.sateur.com/crafting-mickey-engagement-ring/> [<https://perma.cc/4VZX-P6XB>].

1 Steamboat Willie charm, wherein the character is depicted in a forward-facing
 2 stance and wearing a baseball cap bearing the SATÉUR mark.



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11 *Mickey Voyager Necklace (dark background)*



12 *Mickey Voyager Necklace (light background)*

13 28. Like the packaging for the Mickey 1928 Collection, packaging for the
 14 Mickey Voyager Necklace makes substantial use of the Mickey Mouse Trademarks.
 15 The outer box is decorated with a full-body image of Mickey Mouse and is stamped
 16 with the phrase “1928 Mickey Voyager.” In addition to the Mickey Voyager
 17 Necklace, each box also contains a “certificate of authenticity” (decorated with the
 18 same image of Mickey Mouse as appears on the outer box) and a “handcrafted
 19 Mickey figure,” which the Satéur website describes as “our first collectible.”
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Mickey Voyager Necklace outer packaging

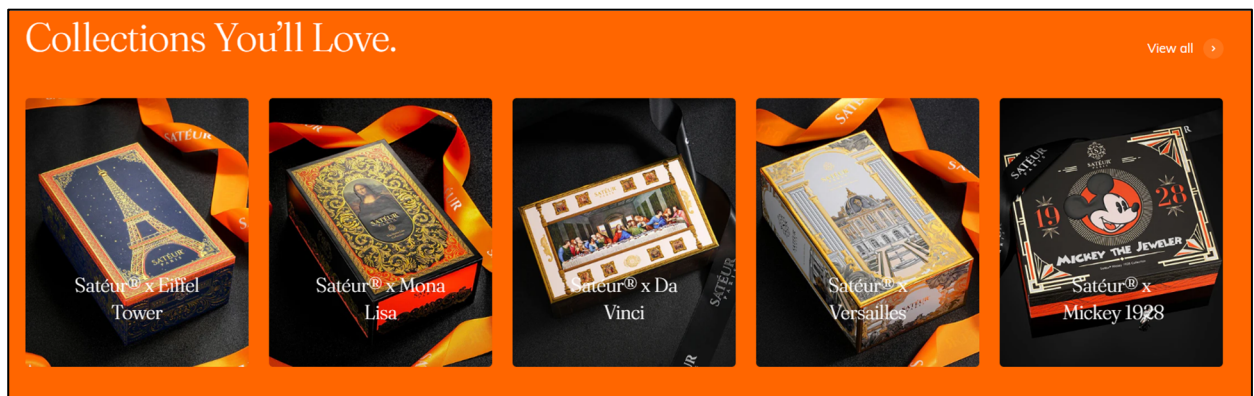
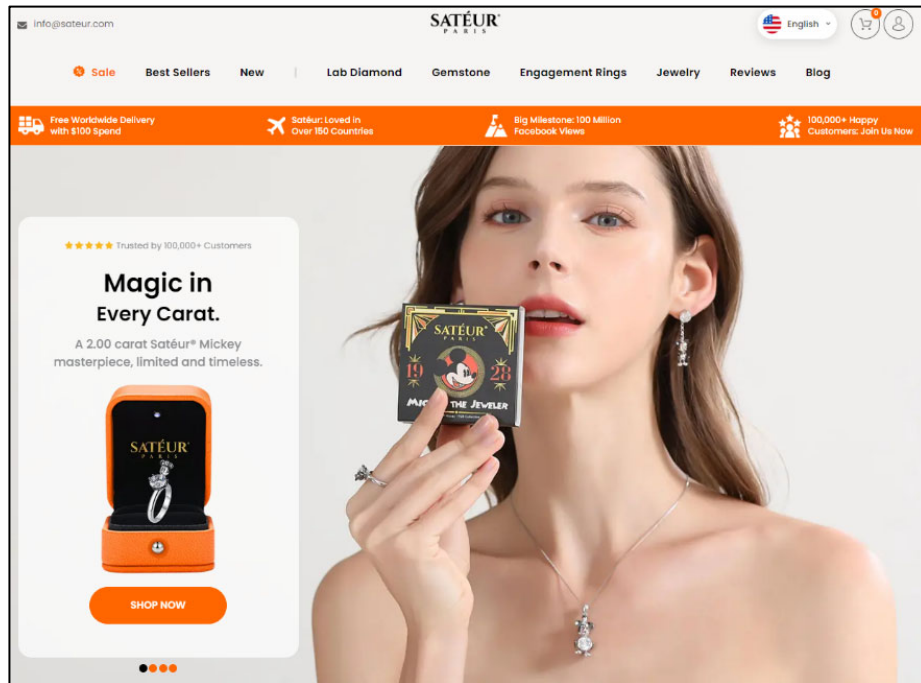


Mickey Voyager "Mickey figure"

29. Marketing materials included within the packaging for the Mickey Voyager Necklace indicate that Red Earth Group plans to expand its "Mickey Voyager" collection in the future.

30. Red Earth Group's online marketing materials extensively trade on the Mickey Mouse Trademarks and the Disney brand. Until very recently, the landing page for the Sateur website prominently featured products and packaging from the Mickey 1928 Collection and promised "Magic in Every Carat," a word generally associated with Disney and the experience people have when engaging with this long-standing and established entertainment company's offerings—such as the Walt Disney World theme parks (the "Most Magical Place on Earth"), including Magic Kingdom, and the Disney Cruise Line ("Where Magic Meets the Sea"), including the Disney Magic cruise ship.¹¹ The Sateur website landing page currently features the Mickey 1928 Collection under a "Collections You'll Love" banner.

¹¹ MAGIC KINGDOM and DISNEY MAGIC are also registered trademarks of Disney Enterprises, Inc.



31. Red Earth Group also frequently promotes its Infringing Sateur Mickey Jewelry on the Sateur “Sale” page, which appears to change with the season but often makes use of the Mickey Mouse Trademarks. In addition to Infringing Sateur Mickey Jewelry, the “Sale” page regularly lists a variety of other, non-Mickey Mouse-themed items that are described as a “Mickey” Sale.







Red Earth Group's Unauthorized Use of the Mickey Mouse Trademarks in its Marketing and Packaging

32. Red Earth Group's marketing and packaging of its Infringing Satéur Mickey Jewelry infringes Disney's trademark rights in order to profit off Disney's intellectual property and positive brand associations. Red Earth Group uses confusingly similar (and sometimes identical or substantially similar) versions of Disney's Mickey Mouse Trademarks throughout its marketing and product packaging materials in a manner that is likely to confuse consumers about the source or sponsorship of the Infringing Satéur Mickey Jewelry offered on the Satéur website. Red Earth Group obviously intends to capitalize off Disney's goodwill and iconic Mickey Mouse Trademarks.

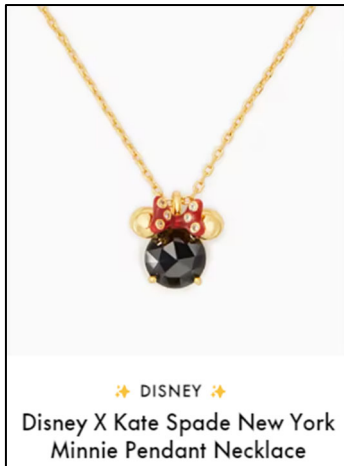
33. Red Earth Group's recurring use of "Mickey" in its marketing, advertising, and product packaging infringes Disney's standard character word marks in MICKEY, MICKEY MOUSE, and MICKEY AND FRIENDS, and its

stylized character word marks MICKEY MOUSE and DISNEY MICKEY AND FRIENDS (collectively, “MICKEY word marks”).

| Disney’s Marks | Examples of Sat  ur’s Infringing Uses |
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| MICKEY MICKEY MOUSE MICKEY AND FRIENDS | Sat  ur   Mickey 1928 Collection Sat  ur   Mickey 1928 Classique Ring TM Sat  ur   Mickey 1928 Classique   b  ne Ring TM Sat  ur   Mickey 1928 Classique Necklace Sat  ur   Mickey 1928 Lunaire Necklace Sat  ur   Mickey 1928 Classique Earrings Sat  ur   1928 Mickey Voyager Collection Sat  ur   1928 Mickey Voyager Necklace Mickey The Jeweler Various other uses of “Mickey” in advertisements and marketing, including “Mickey Sale,” “Mickey’s Sale,” and “MICKEY” discount codes |
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34. Red Earth Group’s combination of its “Sat  ur  ” mark with Disney’s MICKEY word marks exacerbates the confusion. Consumers are accustomed to purchasing official merchandise from Disney that is co-branded with licensees. For example, Disney and Kate Spade co-branded a line of Mickey and Minnie Mouse jewelry, “Disney X Kate Spade.” Customers accustomed to similar authorized

goods will likely view the co-location of “Satéur®” and “Mickey” as indicating that Red Earth Group is affiliated with Disney.



Disney X Kate Spade co-branding



Disney X Gucci co-branding

35. Red Earth Group also uses Disney’s Mickey Mouse device marks across its marketing and product packaging materials. This unauthorized use infringes Disney’s registered Mickey Mouse device marks, as well as Disney’s unregistered common-law Mickey Mouse Trademarks.

| Disney's Marks | Examples of Sat ur's Infringing Uses |
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|  |  <p><i>Mickey 1928 Collection packaging</i></p> |
|  |  <p><i>Mickey 1928 Collection Certificate of Authenticity</i></p> |
|  |  <p><i>"Mickey" Sale page</i></p> |

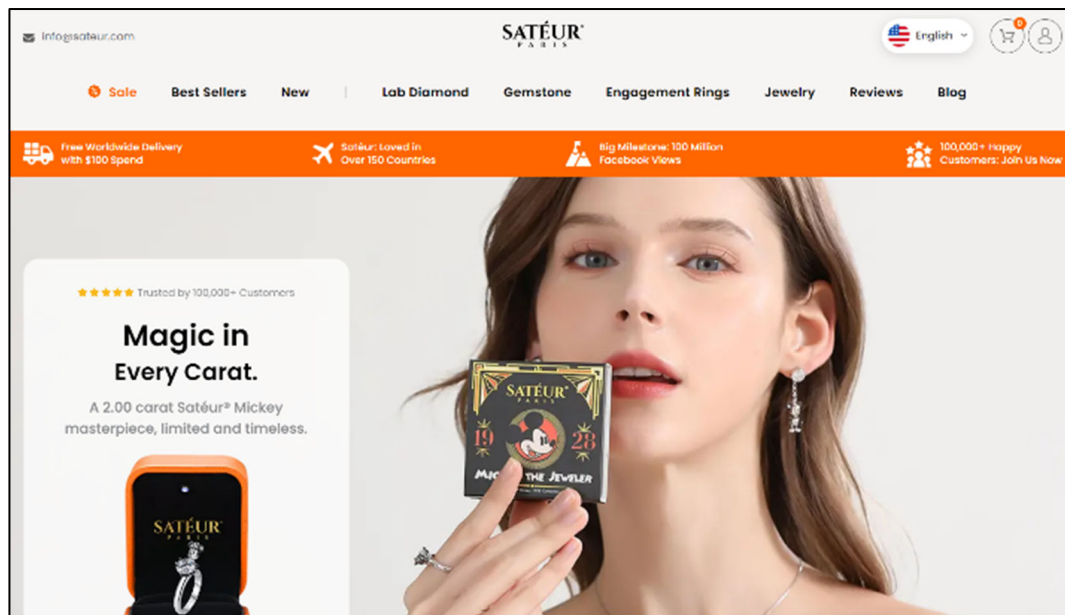
36. Red Earth Group is intentionally trying to confuse consumers about the source and/or sponsorship of its Infringing Sat ur Mickey Jewelry. For example, Red Earth Group expressly states that it is marketing its Infringing Sat ur Mickey Jewelry to "Disney enthusiasts."¹² The overall impression of the Infringing Sat ur

¹² Sat ur, *Celebrating a Century of Magic: The Sat ur® Mickey 1928 Collection* (Jan. 22, 2024), <https://www.sateur.com/blog-mickey-1928-collection/#a-tribute-to-the-original-the-sateur-mickey-1928-collection> [<https://perma.cc/X85R-KUEA>].

1 Mickey Jewelry sold by Red Earth Group suggests, at a minimum, a partnership or
 2 collaboration with Disney. This adds to the likelihood of consumer confusion about
 3 whether Disney is the source of and/or has approved or sponsored the goods Red
 4 Earth Group sells on its Sat  ur website.

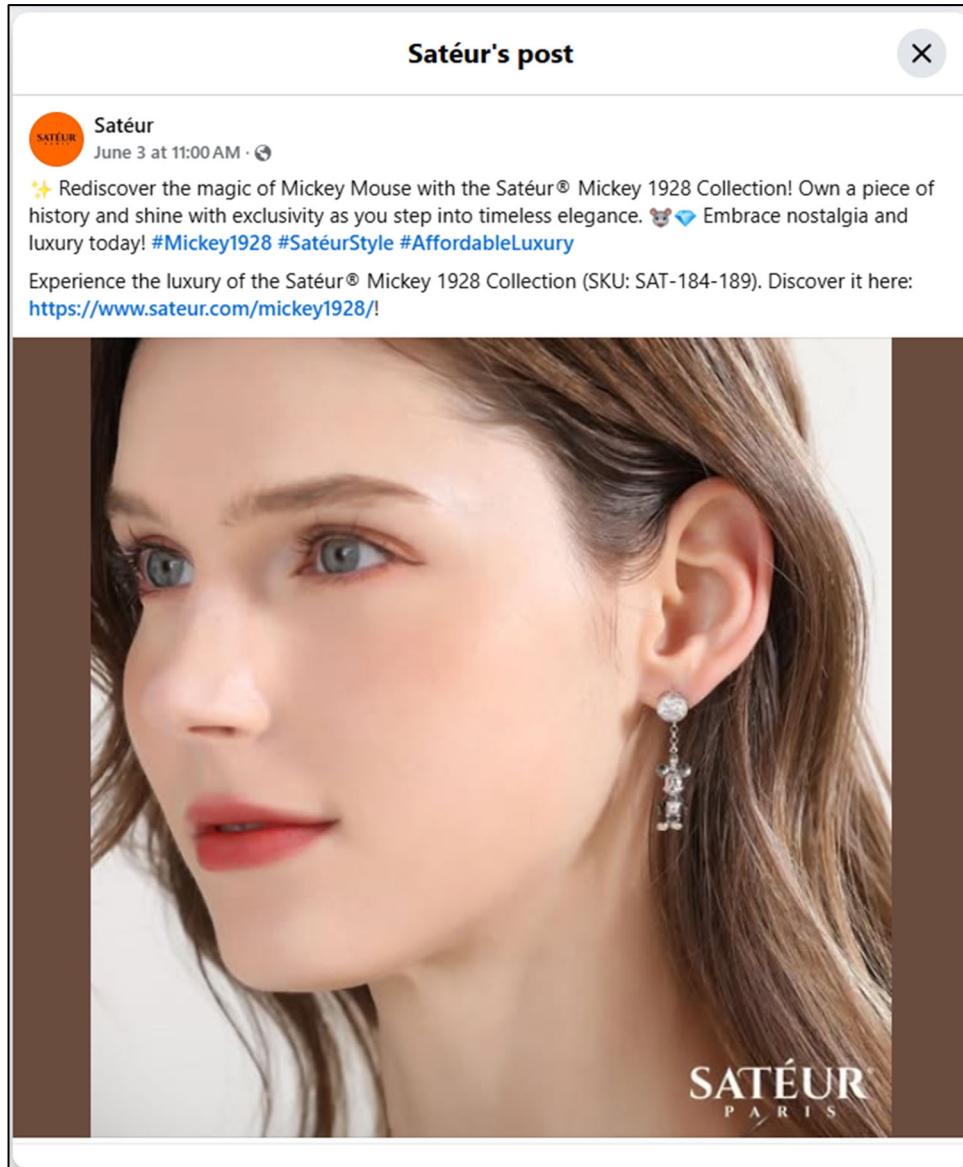
5 **Red Earth Group’s Appropriation for the Purpose of Promoting Its Brand**

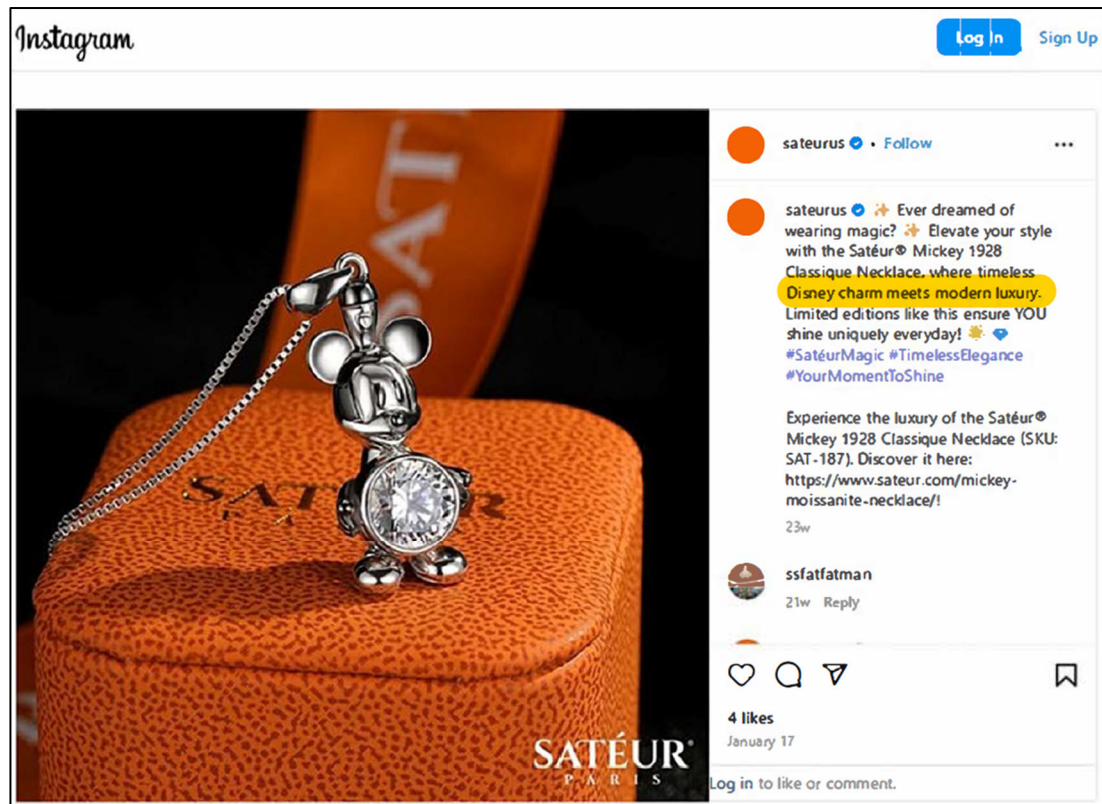
6 37. Red Earth Group also uses the Mickey Mouse Trademarks to promote
 7 its overall Sat  ur brand and to foster confusion between that brand and Disney’s
 8 well-known and immensely popular brand. Red Earth Group uses confusingly
 9 similar (and sometimes identical or substantially indistinguishable) versions of
 10 Disney’s Mickey Mouse Trademarks across the Sat  ur website. Red Earth Group
 11 has even used versions of Disney’s Mickey Mouse Trademarks on the *first page* of
 12 the Sat  ur website—the very first image that consumers see.



23 38. It is apparent from Red Earth Group’s website design that it uses the
 24 MICKEY, MICKEY MOUSE, and DISNEY word marks as keywords in third-party
 25 search engine optimization for the purpose of having Red Earth Group’s products
 26 appear in search results when customers conduct searches for authorized products
 27 using those keywords.

1 39. Red Earth Group also has used MICKEY, MICKEY MOUSE, and
2 DISNEY in promotional social media posts, such as on TikTok, Instagram,
3 Facebook, and Pinterest, for the purpose of appearing in users' search results. These
4 unauthorized uses drive more traffic to Red Earth Group's Satéur website.





Note: Yellow Highlight Added by Disney

40. Red Earth Group asserts trademark rights in “Satéur’s Mickey The Jeweler™.” Red Earth Group describes “Mickey the Jeweler” as “more than just a figure; he embodies the craftsmanship and artistry inherent *in every piece of Satéur jewelry*.”¹³ Red Earth Group therefore intends to present Mickey Mouse as its own brand identifier for its jewelry merchandise—not limited to the Infringing Satéur Mickey Jewelry—and to trade on the recognizability of the Mickey Mouse Trademarks and consumers’ affinity for Disney and *its* iconic ambassador Mickey Mouse.

¹³ Satéur, *Behind the Scenes: Crafting the World’s Most Iconic Mickey Engagement Ring* (Jan. 24, 2024), <https://www.sateur.com/crafting-mickey-engagement-ring/> [<https://perma.cc/4VZX-P6XB>] (emphasis added).

1 41. Red Earth Group also uses the Mickey Mouse Trademarks to market its
2 *other*, non-Mickey Jewelry products. For example, Red Earth Group has used both
3 the word “Mickey” and Disney’s three-circle mouse ear device mark in promoting
4 sales that apply to nearly all products sold on the Sat  ur website. *See* ¶¶ 31, 33, 35,
5 *supra*. Red Earth Group thus falsely associates Disney’s marks and brand with Red
6 Earth Group’s products.

7 42. Red Earth Group’s framing of its Infringing Sat  ur Mickey Jewelry as
8 justified by expiration of the U.S. copyright in *Steamboat Willie* is another ruse
9 designed to mislead consumers. The expiration of the U.S. *copyright* in *Steamboat*
10 *Willie* does not give Red Earth Group license to infringe Disney’s continuing rights
11 over its *trademarks* that identify Disney as the source of goods and services and to
12 profit off the goodwill that Disney has built with the public over decades. As
13 Disney has stated publicly, while copyright expired in the *Steamboat Willie* motion
14 picture, Mickey Mouse will continue to play a leading role as a global ambassador
15 for Disney, including through merchandise.

16 **Harm to Plaintiff and Consumers**

17 43. Red Earth Group’s unauthorized use of the Mickey Mouse Trademarks
18 in its product packaging and online marketing materials harms Disney by interfering
19 with Disney’s legitimate product and licensing businesses. Licensees recognize the
20 value of the Mickey Mouse Trademarks and pay Disney fair market value to use
21 those marks. Red Earth Group, meanwhile, pays Disney nothing to do the same
22 and, thus, directly competes with Disney and its licensees without paying to use
23 these valuable marks.

24 44. Red Earth Group’s appropriation of the Mickey Mouse Trademarks
25 threatens to undermine Disney’s goodwill and reputation in the consumer products
26 market. Consumer perception of Disney’s brand will be affected by consumers’
27 impressions of and associations with Red Earth Group and the Sat  ur website.
28 Because licensees regularly pay Disney to use the Mickey Mouse Trademarks, and

1 because Disney takes steps to ensure the quality and lawful production of those
2 licensed products, consumers expect that the items they purchase with the Mickey
3 Mouse Trademarks will be of high quality and that production elements will not be
4 unlawful or exploitative. The jewelry sold on the Sateur website does not meet
5 Disney's quality standards. For example, customers have filed complaints with the
6 Better Business Bureau against Sateur, which has an average customer rating of
7 1.25/5. Representative customer complaints include: "not good quality and looked
8 extremely fake"; "This is a Scam if I have ever seen one"; "Had I known Sateur is
9 misleading their clients, I would not have made the purchase"; "This feels like a
10 huge scam and I hope other Americans do not get tricked on their site"; and "This is
11 FRAUD and I want my money back."¹⁴

12 45. In addition, by confusing consumers into believing, incorrectly, that the
13 products sold on the Sateur website are associated with or sold, licensed, or
14 authorized by Disney, Red Earth Group's unauthorized use of the Mickey Mouse
15 Trademarks has very likely caused Disney and/or its licensees to lose sales that they
16 otherwise would have made to consumers seeking genuine Mickey Mouse-themed
17 merchandise.

18 46. By misleading consumers into thinking that the products they buy from
19 the Sateur website are associated with Disney, and then distributing poor quality
20 products with bad customer service, Red Earth Group harms Disney, its authorized
21 licensees, and consumers. Those harms are irreparable, and they will continue to
22 compound so long as Red Earth Group continues to use the Mickey Mouse
23 Trademarks without authorization.

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25 ¹⁴ Better Business Bureau, *Sateur Customer Reviews*,
26 [https://www.bbb.org/us/az/mesa/profile/online-retailer/sateur-1126-](https://www.bbb.org/us/az/mesa/profile/online-retailer/sateur-1126-1000066537/customer-reviews)
27 [1000066537/customer-reviews](https://www.bbb.org/us/az/mesa/profile/online-retailer/sateur-1126-1000066537/customer-reviews) (last visited July 14, 2025); Better Business Bureau,
28 *Sateur Complaints*, [https://www.bbb.org/us/az/mesa/profile/online-retailer/sateur-](https://www.bbb.org/us/az/mesa/profile/online-retailer/sateur-1126-1000066537/complaints)
[1126-1000066537/complaints](https://www.bbb.org/us/az/mesa/profile/online-retailer/sateur-1126-1000066537/complaints) (last visited July 14, 2025).

1 47. In sum, Disney brings this action to enforce its clear trademark rights
2 and put an end to Red Earth Group's brazen infringement.

3 **FIRST CLAIM FOR RELIEF**

4 **(Trademark Infringement in Violation of 15 U.S.C. § 1114)**

5 48. Disney repeats and realleges all of the allegations contained in
6 Paragraphs 1 through 47, inclusive, as though set forth herein in full.

7 49. Disney is the owner of the exclusive rights to the Mickey Mouse
8 Trademarks, including but not limited to the federal registrations included in
9 Exhibit A. Each of the trademark registrations relating to the Mickey Mouse
10 Trademarks is in full force and effect. Many of Disney's asserted registered marks
11 are also incontestable.

12 50. Red Earth Group has used and continues to use in commerce
13 unauthorized reproductions, copies, and/or colorable imitations of registered Mickey
14 Mouse Trademarks in connection with the sale, offering for sale, distribution, and/or
15 advertising of its goods. This use is likely to cause confusion, mistake, and/or
16 deception among consumers. Red Earth Group is therefore liable to Disney for
17 infringement of the Mickey Mouse Trademarks pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1114.

18 51. Red Earth Group's use of reproductions, copies, and/or colorable
19 imitations of the Mickey Mouse Trademarks, without Disney's consent or
20 authorization, has been and continues to be intentional and willful within the
21 meaning of 15 U.S.C. §§ 1114 and 1117.

22 52. Red Earth Group's conduct has caused and will continue to cause
23 irreparable injury to Disney, for which Disney has no adequate remedy at law. As
24 such, Disney seeks injunctive relief pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1116, as well as actual
25 damages and Red Earth Group's profits or statutory damages pursuant to 15 U.S.C.
26 § 1117, and reasonable attorneys' fees in prosecuting this action pursuant to
27 15 U.S.C. § 1117(a). Further, the conduct has caused monetary damages in an
28 amount to be determined at trial, and because Red Earth Group's infringing conduct

1 has been and continues to be willful, Disney is entitled to an enhanced damages
2 award pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1117(a).

3 **SECOND CLAIM FOR RELIEF**

4 **(False Designation of Origin in Violation of 15 U.S.C. § 1125(a))**

5 53. Disney repeats and realleges all of the allegations contained in
6 Paragraphs 1 through 47, inclusive, as though set forth herein in full.

7 54. As a direct result of Disney's longstanding use, sales, advertising, and
8 marketing, the Mickey Mouse Trademarks have acquired a distinctive meaning
9 among the consuming public, who have come to identify the Mickey Mouse
10 Trademarks exclusively with Disney and its affiliated companies, and with the
11 goods and services offered by Disney.

12 55. Red Earth Group's unauthorized use of the Mickey Mouse Trademarks
13 constitutes the use of false or misleading designations of origin, and/or the making
14 of false or misleading representations of fact, in violation of 15 U.S.C. § 1125(a), in
15 that, among other things, such use is likely to cause confusion, deception, and/or
16 mistake as to the source, approval, connection, association, or sponsorship of the
17 goods and services distributed, sold, and offered for sale by Red Earth Group
18 bearing infringements of the Mickey Mouse Trademarks.

19 56. Red Earth Group's acts complained of herein are willful and intentional
20 within the meaning of 15 U.S.C. §§ 1114 and 1117, and these acts have been and
21 continue to be undertaken with the intention of trading upon the valuable goodwill
22 built up by Disney or otherwise injuring Disney.

23 57. Red Earth Group's conduct has caused and will continue to cause
24 irreparable injury to Disney, for which Disney has no adequate remedy at law. As
25 such, Disney seeks injunctive relief pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1116, as well as actual
26 damages and Red Earth Group's profits pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1117(a), and
27 reasonable attorneys' fees in prosecuting this action pursuant to 15 U.S.C.
28 § 1117(a). Further, the conduct has caused monetary damages in an amount to be

1 determined at trial, and because Red Earth Group's conduct has been and continues
2 to be willful, Disney seeks an enhanced damages award pursuant to 15 U.S.C.
3 § 1117(a).

4 **PRAYER FOR RELIEF**

5 WHEREFORE, Disney prays for judgment against Red Earth Group as
6 follows:

7 1. That Red Earth Group, its officers, agents, servants, employees, and
8 any person in active concert or participation with it be preliminarily and
9 permanently enjoined and restrained from using the Mickey Mouse Trademarks or
10 any reproduction, counterfeit, copy, or colorable imitation of the Mickey Mouse
11 Trademarks in connection with the distribution, advertising, offer for sale, and/or
12 sale of merchandise not the genuine products of Disney.

13 2. That Red Earth Group, its officers, agents, servants, employees, and
14 any person in active concert or participation with it be preliminarily and
15 permanently enjoined and restrained from otherwise infringing the Mickey Mouse
16 Trademarks and/or damaging Disney's goodwill.

17 3. That Red Earth Group, its officers, agents, servants, employees, and
18 any person in active concert or participation with it be preliminarily and
19 permanently enjoined and restrained from assisting, aiding, or abetting any other
20 person or business entity in engaging in or performing any infringement of the
21 Mickey Mouse Trademarks.

22 4. That Disney be awarded its damages as well as profits realized by Red
23 Earth Group by reason of Red Earth Group's unlawful acts herein alleged, in
24 amounts to be proven at trial, and that the amount of damages for infringement of
25 the Mickey Mouse Trademarks be increased by a sum not exceeding three times the
26 amount thereof as provided by law.

1 5. In the alternative to actual damages and profits, at Disney's election,
2 that Disney may be awarded statutory damages as may be proper under 15 U.S.C.
3 § 1117.

4 6. That Disney be awarded its costs and reasonable attorneys' fees
5 incurred in this action.

6 7. That Disney be awarded pre-judgment interest on its judgment.

7 8. That Disney have such other and further relief as the Court may deem
8 equitable, proper, and just.

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10 DATED: July 16, 2025

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DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 38(b), Disney hereby demands a jury trial in this action.

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